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Youth Football Game Shooter Arrested in Bremerton

For the second time in a week a dangerous murder suspect from out of state has been captured on the Kitsap Peninsula. This morning, at approximately 11:00 AM, Anthony M. Caulton, age 25, of Youngstown, OH, was arrested without incident in Bremerton by members of the Pacific Northwest Fugitive Apprehension Task Force (PNWFAT) and the Bremerton Police Department.

On August 19th, in Youngstown, OH, Caulton, also known as Anthony Pfeifer, is suspected of shooting and killing Larry D. Jones during a youth football game in Youngstown. The game was being attended approximately 500-800 people. Caulton originally shot Jones in front of the grandstands. While the crowd looked on in shock, Jones jumped over a railing and ran onto the football field in an attempt to escape. Caulton pursued Jones onto the field, stood over Jones after he collapsed on the field and shot him several more times. The shooting on the field occurred near a group of cheerleaders, some as young as 4 years old.

The crime outraged many in Ohio with the mayor, U.S. Attorney and other political figures calling for an intense law enforcement hunt for the suspect. Caulton was soon identified as a suspect on August 24th, and a warrant charging Caulton with the crime was issued by the Youngstown Municipal Court. Local law enforcement officials in OH requested the assistance of the U.S. Marshal Service sponsored Northern Ohio Violent Fugitive Task Force in locating and apprehending Caulton. Investigators from the task force soon developed information that Caulton may have fled to Washington State.

A collateral lead was sent to the PNWFAT in Seattle requesting assistance in locating Caulton in Washington. PNWFAT investigators developed information that Caulton may be hiding out in the Bremerton area. Further investigation led them to Caulton at a residence in the 1500 block of Snyder Avenue in Bremerton. He arrested without incident and booked into the Kitsap County Jail pending extradition back to Ohio.

"This violent crime tragically affected hundreds of people in the Youngstown community and we are glad to have assisted the citizens of Ohio in putting this very dangerous fugitive behind bars," said Eric E. Robertson, the U.S. Marshal for the Western District of Washington.

Last Thursday, PNWFAT investigators arrest Mark Steffen of Los Angeles in Port Orchard. Steffen was wanted for the murder of his girlfriend in Los Angeles.

The PNWFAT is a U.S. Marshals-sponsored partnership comprised of investigators from the King County Sheriffs Office, Seattle Police Department, Washington State Department of Corrections, the U.S. Social Security Administration OIG, and the U.S. Marshals Service. The Task Force is supported by the Project Safe Neighborhoods Initiative and was formed to concentrate apprehension efforts to remove federal, state and local fugitives from the streets. The Task Force objective is to disrupt illegal gun and drug traffickers in the Pacific Northwest and to reduce the amount of violence in the region.

For additional information on other major case fugitives, go to the U.S. Marshals Service's website at www.usmarshals.gov. For additional information on the Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Initiative, go to the PSN website at www.psn.gov.

For information on the apprehension, call U.S. Marshal Eric E. Robertson at 206-370-8601; for information on the criminal case, call Youngstown, OH Police Department at 330.742.8240.